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For: A RAPID METHOD TO DETECT NUCLEIC
ACID MOLECULES

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE AND SECOND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Notification of Defective Response mailed February 15, 2008, for which a response is due March 15, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Prior to examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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